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Request for Refund

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Re:

U.S. Patent Application No. 10/038,569 of Philip Atkin,

Entitled: "Method of Obtaining an Image"

Dear Sir/Madam:

We hereby request a refund in the amount of \$960.00 to our deposit account number 06-1315; GJEL:0003/FLE due to an improper charge of \$960.00. Attached herewith is a copy of an Entity Status Change Request filed by Applicant on October 20, 2009.

On October 12, 2009, we filed a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), and a request for three-month extension of time, along with associated documents, for the above-referenced patent application. The approved fees included the RCE fee of \$405.00, and a three-month extension fee of \$555.00 bringing the total amount to \$960.00, which was charged to our American Express Credit Card on October 12, 2009. These fees were submitted in anticipation of our request for Small Entity Status being accepted. However, our deposit account was charged an additional \$960.00 on October 19, 2009, for the same case. We believe that the additional \$960.00 should be refunded to our deposit account.

A much appreciated call from a U.S.P.T.O. representative was received by the undersigned on October 16, 2009, regarding the unintentional payment of Large Entity fees for the above-

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referenced RCE and three-month extension. During the call, the U.S.P.T.O. representative informed the Applicant that the previous request for Small Entity Status could not be accepted, and that the difference between the fees associated with Small Entity Status and Large Entity Status would be charged to the deposit account. The U.S.P.T.O. representative then suggested that a refund request be submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.26 and 1.28. Accordingly, Applicant is requesting a refund of \$960.00. Because the Applicant has Small Entity status, the proper Small Entity fees should have been \$405 and \$555.00, respectively. Accordingly, the Applicant respectfully requests that the difference of \$960 between the previously-paid total amount of \$1,920.00 (Large Entity) and the total amount of \$960.00 (Small Entity) for the RCE and three-month extension of time be refunded to Deposit Account No. 06-1315; GJEL:0003/FLE.

In summary, in view of the Applicant's status being changed to a Small Entity Status, please refund the amount of \$960 to Deposit Account No. 06-1315; GJEL:0003/FLE. Further, if the U.S.P.T.O. representative wishes to resolve any other issues by way of a telephone conference, the representative is kindly invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

Please find the following attached documents: (1) our deposit account statement with a circle around the incorrect charge amounts totaling \$960.00 (Charge on 10/19/09, posting number 10038569, Fee Code 1253 in the amount of \$150.00, and Charge on 10/19/09, posting number 10038569, Fee Code 1860 in the amount of \$810.00), (2) Electronic Patent Application Fee Transmittal indicating that the payment of \$960 was successfully received in RAM on 10/12/09 and charged to my American Express credit card, and (3) a copy of the Entity Status Change Request, Electronic Acknowledgement Receipt, filed 10/20/09.

If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely yours,

/W. Allen Powell/

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cc: Janet Lamp and Jolee Zhou

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## Deposit Account Statement

## ATTACHMENT 1.





## **Deposit Account Statement**

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Philip Atkin

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October 20, 2009

/W. Allen Powell/

Date

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## ENTITY STATUS CHANGE REQUEST

By the present paper, Applicant makes an assertion of Small Entity status in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(c). Indeed, Applicant is herewith requesting an Entity Status Change from Large Entity to Small Entity for the above-identified patent application. Applicant verifies that they have less than 500 employees and have not licensed the rights in the application to a third party.

Additionally, Applicant presently requests a refund within three months of erroneously paying a Large Entity fee. A separate letter requesting the refund and providing the details of the improper charge is being submitted concurrently. In summary, Applicant paid \$810.00 for an RCE and \$1110.00 for a three-month extension, each of which were filed on October 12, 2009. Because the Applicant has Small Entity status, the proper Small Entity fees should have been \$405 and \$555.00, respectively. Accordingly, the Applicant respectfully requests that the difference of \$960 between the previously-paid total amount of \$1,920.00 (Large Entity) and the total amount of \$960.00 (Small Entity) for the RCE and 3-month extension of time be refunded to Deposit Account No. 06-1315; GJEL:0003/FLE.

If the Examiner wishes to resolve any other issues by way of a telephone conference, the Examiner is kindly invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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